



A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to prohibit motor vehicle drifting and drift racing on public roadways in the City and County of Honolulu. With the popularity of locations like the narrow roadways and tight turns on Tantalus and Round Top Drives, the City finds that law enforcement personnel face difficulty in preventing such behavior on remote, mountain roadways. To add to the range of enforcement tools available to deter these dangerous activities, the City further finds that strict penalties are needed to reduce and eliminate dangerous motor vehicle drifting and drift racing activities.

SECTION 2. Chapter 15, Article 24, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("Miscellaneous Provisions"), is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated by the revisor of ordinances and to read as follows:

"Sec. 15-24. Motor vehicle drifting and drift racing prohibited."

(a) As used in this section:

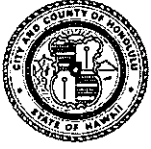
"Motor vehicle drifting" means a driving technique whereby the driver intentionally oversteers a motor vehicle, causing loss of traction in the rear wheels, while maintaining control from entry to exit of a corner. A motor vehicle is drifting when the rear slip angle is greater than the front slip angle, to such an extent that the front wheels of the motor vehicle are pointing in the opposite direction to the turn (e.g. the motor vehicle is turning left, but the wheels are pointed to the right, or vice versa).

"Drift racing" means the use of one or more motor vehicles in an attempt to:

- (1) Outgain or outdistance another motor vehicle, or prevent another vehicle from passing; or
- (2) Arrive at a given destination ahead of another motor vehicle or vehicles, or ahead of a time standard as determined by a stopwatch or other time-keeping device;

while incorporating motor vehicle drifting, on some or all curves or turns of the designated or assumed course.

"Racing" means the same as defined in HRS Section 291C-103(c).



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- (b) No person shall engage in motor vehicle drifting or drift racing upon any street or highway within the City and County of Honolulu.
- (c) Any person who violates this section shall, upon conviction, be fined up to \$2,000, or imprisoned up to one year, or both."

SECTION 3. New ordinance material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not include the underscoring.



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SECTION 4. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

FEB 20 2018

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu